

Clinical Pharmacy Services

Pharmacy is involved in all aspects of medication management. With the implementation of physician order entry, barcode technology, cartless distribution, robotics, and technical support for distributive functions, we are able to focus on clinical activities.

Hot Springs has seven Clinical Pharmacy Specialists (CPS) and ten technicians. Fort Meade has 17 CPS, and 12 technicians. There are two South Dakota State University (SDSU) College of Pharmacy faculty, two PGY1 residents and one PGY2 resident. The pharmacies are staffed Monday through Friday from 730a-515p, with limited holidays and weekends.

Educational Affiliations

VA Black Hills Health Care System is a teaching institution affiliated with SDSU Colleges of Pharmacy and Nursing, University of South Dakota School of Medicine, and Western Dakota Technical Institute.

Federal Employment

Appointment is contingent upon completion of a physical exam, including negative drug test. Applicants must meet requirements for federal employment. Residents are required to obtain a pharmacist's license in any state within 3 months of appointment.

VA clinical pharmacy specialists and residents use their prescribing privileges in collaboration with the medical team to help optimize patient care and reach treatment goals.

VA BHHCS will be utilizing ASHP PhORCAS:

www.ashp.org/phorcas

Application Requirements

- Doctor of Pharmacy degree from an ACPE accredited program
- Completion of or currently completing a PGY1 residency program
- Active pharmacist license in a U.S. state or territory
- U.S. citizenship
- Residency Matching Program participant
- Onsite interview required
- 3 Letters of recommendation
- Letter of intent
- Curriculum vitae and college transcripts

Application Deadline: January 10th

Please submit questions to:

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Hot Springs Campus



Fort Meade Campus



Fort Meade & Hot Springs, SD

PGY2 Ambulatory Care Residency

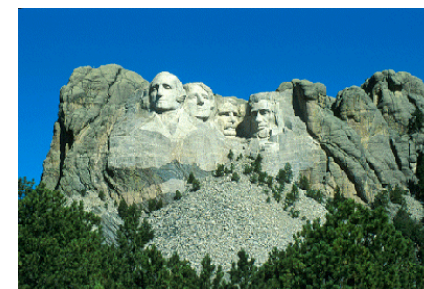


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VA Black Hills Health Care System (VA BHHCS) is located in the beautiful Black Hills of western South Dakota, where we are known for our blue skies, pine forests, rich history, moderate climate and friendly western hospitality.

VA BHHCS provides primary and secondary medical and surgical care, along with Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Program (RRTP) services, extended nursing home care and tertiary psychiatric inpatient care services, for Veterans residing in South Dakota and portions of Nebraska, Wyoming, North Dakota and Montana.

Care to approximately 20,000 Veterans is delivered through the Fort Meade (near Sturgis) and Hot Springs VA Medical Centers, as well as through a number of community based outpatient and rural health clinics.

VA BHHCS is a part of the VA Midwest Health Care Network.

Residency Purpose

The VA BHHCS Ambulatory Care PGY2 Residency will build on Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) education and PGY1 pharmacy residency programs to contribute to the development of clinical pharmacists in advanced or specialized practice. The VA BHHCS Ambulatory Care PGY2 Residency will provide residents with opportunities to function independently as practitioners by conceptualizing and integrating accumulated experience and knowledge and incorporating both into the provision of patient care that improves medication therapy. Residents who successfully complete this PGY2 residency should possess competencies that qualify them for clinical pharmacist and/or faculty positions and position them to be eligible for attainment of board certification in Ambulatory Care.



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Area Attractions

There are many places of interest located within the Black Hills area. Additional information can be found:

www.travelsd.com

www.blackhillsbadlands.com

Program Structure:

Required Experiences:

Core (Longitudinal):

- Pain Management
- Transitions of Care
- Pharmacoeconomics/Informatics
- Patient-Aligned Care Team (PACT)
- Anticoagulation

Other Required Experiences:

- Orientation (Concentrated)
- Leadership and Professionalism (Longitudinal)
- Residency Project (Longitudinal)
- Practice Coverage* (Concentrated or Longitudinal)

**Requirement and structure determined upon resident's incoming background and skill*

Elective Experiences:

- Practice Management
- Teaching Certificate
- National VA Experience (as available)

Electives may be longitudinal, compressed, or rotational depending on resident interest, skill and background

Scope of Practice

Upon demonstrating competency, PGY2 residents can apply for a Scope of Practice, the approval of which allows for independent order entry of medications, labs, referrals, and other elements necessary to coordinate patient care.



Accredited

Teaching opportunities: Educational affiliations will provide opportunities for the resident to precept pharmacy students and obtain a teaching certificate from South Dakota State University (SDSU).

Clinical meetings: Residents are engaged in a variety of local meetings and are expected to attend ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting, Midwest Pharmacy Residency Conference, South Dakota State Pharmacy Association meeting(s), and possibly regional VA pharmacy meetings.

Hours, Salary, and Benefits: Hours for the residents will be 7:30 a.m.—4:15 p.m. Monday through Friday with limited assigned holidays and weekends. Residents will receive a stipend of \$44,522 which includes health and life insurance. Fringe benefits include 13 days of paid leave, 13 days of paid sick leave, 10 paid holidays, lab coat, and free parking. On-site housing may be available at a reduced rate. If interested, please inquire at interview.

Start Date and Duration

We have one position for VA BHHCS. The resident will have rotations/projects at both Fort Meade and Hot Springs campuses. Start date is to be determined, with expected start date in mid to late July. The residency is a full-time temporary appointment of 1 year in duration.

Match Rules: This residency site agrees that no person at this site will solicit, accept, or improperly use any ranking related information from any residency applicant.